

# Scope

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## Enlisted

### PROMOTIONS

#### Promoted to Master Sergeant

Matthew J. Byers, 193 SOCES  
Chad M. Lynch, 193 SOCF  
Timothy R. Whalon, 193 SOFSS

#### Promoted to Technical Sergeant

Michael A. Disori, 193 SOMXS  
Anthony W. Demsko, HQ

#### Promoted to Staff Sergeant

David M. Kissinger 193 SOMXS  
April A. Loeper, 193 SOS  
Brent A. Hill, 148 ASOS

#### Promoted to Senior Airman

Josua S. Studer, 193 SOMXS  
Keaton J. Fogal, 193 SOMXS  
Chad C. Hoke, 201 RHS  
Roderick C. McClain, 148 ASOS  
Evan B. Borneman, 203 WF  
Paul M. Carnes, 271 CBCS  
Matthew T. Matin, 148 ASOS



Earth Day  
APRIL 22, 2013

#### **Energy saving tips for on base and at home:**

##### *On base*

1. Turn off your computer equipment when not in use.
2. Open blinds to let in natural light and turn off indoor ambient light on sunny days.
3. Keep windows and doors closed when the air conditioning is on.

##### *At home*

1. Run your dishwasher and other major appliances during off-peak hours (7 p.m. to 6 a.m.).
2. Change your light bulbs to compact fluorescent or LED.
3. Check the thermostat on your water heater; it should be set at 140 F if you have a dishwasher; otherwise 120 F should be sufficient.

## NEWS & EVENTS

### March for the Fallen set for April 28



The Second Annual 28-mile March for the Fallen is set for April 28 from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Fort Indiantown Gap. Registration is \$20 and open to anyone. The course is a challenging, continuous loop around the Gap beginning and ending at Blue Mountain Track. The course ascends Hawk Watch Mountain and runs along paved roads and densely wooded trails. Water points will be located every five miles. Participants may join one of two divisions: the military/heavy division, which requires full uniform, mil-spec boots and a pack weighing at least 35 lbs. (awards will be given to the top three competitors); or the personal challenge, where participants may run, walk or march some or all of the route, and may turn around at any point. All participants will receive a t-shirt. To register, visit [http://www.pngas.net/events/event\\_details.asp?id=287998](http://www.pngas.net/events/event_details.asp?id=287998). For more information, e-mail Major Chuck Kim at [chuck.kim@us.army.mil](mailto:chuck.kim@us.army.mil).

### Hagel appointed as 24th secretary of defense

The Senate appointed Charles Hagel to serve President Barack Obama as secretary of defense Feb. 26.

The Senate voted 59-41 in favor of Hagel, the closest vote ever for appointment a new secretary of defense. Hagel served as an enlisted service member for the Army during the Vietnam War and received a Purple Heart for being wounded twice in combat before becoming a Republican senator of Nebraska.

"I will work closely with the Congress to ensure that we maintain the strongest military in the world and continue to protect this great nation," Hagel said in a statement shortly after being appointed.

### Two pilots killed in Afghanistan

Two Pennsylvania Army National Guard Soldiers were killed in a helicopter crash in the Nagarhar Province, Afghanistan, on April 9.

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Matthew Ruffner, 34, of Harrisburg, and Chief Warrant Officer 2 Jarett Yoder, of Mohnton, were piloting an AH-64 Apache Helicopter during a reconnaissance mission when their aircraft crashed. The incident is under investigation.

The Soldiers were serving with Company B, 1-104th Attack Reconnaissance Battalion, based at Fort Indiantown Gap. The battalion mobilized for deployment to Afghanistan in August 2012.

### PNG Employee Outreach Program available to service members

The Pennsylvania National Guard Employee Outreach Program is available to assist members of the National Guard and immediate family members with finding civilian employment. They provide one on one employment assistance; civilian and federal resume building and critiquing; apprenticeships; resume and interview workshops; military job fairs and more.

For access, log onto <http://pa.ng.mil/offices/EmploymentOutreach/Pages/default.aspx>. Upon login you will be redirected to the PA National Guard Employment Network. Click on Register and upload your resume to get connected with your career counselor. All services are at no cost.

For more information, or questions, contact First Lt. Greg Kuleba, PNG Employment Outreach coordinator, at [Gregory.w.kuleba.mil@mail.mil](mailto:Gregory.w.kuleba.mil@mail.mil) or 717-861-2640.

### Golf tournament scheduled

The 193rd Benevolent League will be holding their 8th annual golf tournament on May 31 at the Monroe Valley Golf Course, Jonestown, Pa. It will be a shotgun start at 8 a.m.

Deadline for entry is May 24 and is \$65 a person or \$260 per four-person team.

For more information, or to sign up, contact Bob Stock at 717-861-1195.

### Saturday

#### MAIN LINE:

Meatloaf  
Baked fish  
Mashed potatoes  
Seasoned rice  
Carrots  
Broccoli  
Soup du jour  
Salad Bar

#### SNACK LINE:

Hamburger  
Cheeseburger  
Cajun chicken sandwich  
Baked beans  
French fries

### Sunday

#### MAIN LINE:

Beef stroganoff  
Pineapple chicken  
Cottage fried potatoes  
Buttered noodles  
Vegetable medley  
Peas and pearl onions  
Soup du jour  
Salad bar

#### SNACK LINE:

Hamburger  
Cheeseburger  
Hot dog  
Baked beans  
French fries



## NEWS & EVENTS

### Wing Safety office reminds Airmen about available resources

With the days warming up and summer around the corner all of us are going to be more active. Most of us are going to see more activity outside with yard work and sports activities. There will also be an increase in the amount of time we spend on the road, so with all this safety should be on your mind.

You have resources here at the Wing Safety office. You can look up the newsletter and even browse the previous editions. Anticipate those problems; it may just save you time in the long run.

### Air Force marks April as sexual assault, prevention month

The Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program reinforces the Air Force's commitment to eliminate incidents of sexual assault through awareness and prevention training, education, victim advocacy, response, reporting and accountability. The Air Force promotes sensitive care and confidential reporting for victims of sexual assault and accountability for those who commit these crimes.

Sexual assault is criminal conduct. Specifically, it violates Air Force Core Values. Inherent in our core values of integrity first, service before self, and excellence in all we do is respect: self-respect, mutual respect and respect for our Air Force as an institution.

Our core values and respect are the foundation of our wingman culture – a culture in which we look out for each other and take care of each other. Incidents of sexual assault corrode the very fabric of that culture; therefore, we must strive for an environment where this type of behavior is not tolerated and where all Airmen are respected.

Maj. Amy Crossley is the 193rd's SAPR point of contact and can be reached at 717-948-2202.

### Chief Cody named as new CMSAF

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Mark Welsh III named Chief Master Sgt. James Cody as the 17th chief master sergeant of the Air Force.

Chief Cody assumed his new position on Feb. 1, following the Jan. 31 retirement of Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James Roy. Chief Roy's retirement culminated more than 30 years of service to the Air Force.

"Chief Cody and his wife, Paula, have been a blessing for our Air Force. They have worked tirelessly for the past three-plus years as phenomenal advocates for our Airmen and families. Betty and I wish them all the best as they prepare for the next chapter in their lives," Welsh said.

*For more on this story visit, [www.af.mil](http://www.af.mil).*

### Flag retirement ceremony set for June drill

The First Sergeants' Council is set to conduct a flag retirement ceremony Sunday of June UTA. If you have any tattered, torn, faded or otherwise unserviceable flags that need retired, please bring them to the ceremony. Any Airmen who wish to witness the proper protocol for retirement of a flag are invited to attend this military event.

For more information, contact First Sgt. Senior Master Sgt. Dale Perry at [dale.perry@ang.af.mil](mailto:dale.perry@ang.af.mil).

### Post 911 GI Bill:

#### Mandatory service obligation

Effective Aug. 1, the Post 9/11 GI Bill or Chapter 33 will change once again. This change will have major impacts for individuals nearing retirement. Currently, there is a grandfather clause in place for individuals who wish to transfer their Chapter 33 benefits to their dependents. This grandfather clause is as follows:

- Personnel eligible to retire on or before Aug. 1 2009 – no additional service is required.
- Personnel eligible to retire between Aug. 1, 2009 and July 31, 2010 – one year of additional service is required.
- Personnel eligible to retire between Aug. 1, 2010 and July 31, 2011 – two years of additional service is required.
- Personnel eligible to retire between Aug. 1, 2011 and July 31, 2012 – three years of additional service is required.
- All others – Four years of additional service is required.

However, effective Aug. 1, this grandfather clause expires and ALL individuals, regardless of retirement eligibility, will incur a four- year service obligation if they transfer their Chapter 33 benefits to their dependents. This means that even someone with 32 years of service will have to commit, as well as their leadership, to four more years of service or they will not be approved to transfer their benefits.

Visit the Retention Office immediately to begin the Post 911 GI Bill process!

### Dental exams must be priority

Members at the wing are reminded that dental exams are a vital part of unit readiness. TriCare offers affordable dental insurance for military members and their families through Met Life. For more information on the coverage and premium costs of these plans, visit [metlife.com/tricare](http://metlife.com/tricare).

Members without dental insurance coverage may still receive a free dental exam once a year in order to maintain their expeditionary readiness. They must report to the 193rd SOW dental clinic and fill out a form requesting an exam and one will be coordinated for them.

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